pendous sea battle may be expected. It is reported that Rear Admiral Prince Ukhtomski has been instructed for the present to avoid getting the Japanese even within range of the fortress guns.

VLADIVOSTOK NEEDS FOOD. Women and Children Leaving the Place for Lack of Provisions.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. St. Petersburg, April 19 .- The population of Vladivostok is in want of provisions It is impossible to procure them owing to the flooded rivers. Many of the inhabitants, especially women and children, are the town, abandoning their property and reducing the civil population to about 5.000.

No material reenforcements have arrived at Vladivostok since the beginning of the war. The garrison there is estimated to number 7,000 men of all arms. Four Russian warships are still there.

JAPAN'S COREAN ARMY. Forces Advancing Toward the Yalu Said to Number 45,000 Men.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
SHANGHAI, April 19.—Seoul advices say that the Japanese army in Corea is divided into expeditionary and occupation forces. The former, numbering 45,000, is advancing to the Yahr. The latter, consisting of 15 .-000 reserves, is making the completes possible communication arrangements with headquarters at Seoul, where there is a garrison of 4.000.

The island of Koje, at the mouth of Masampho harbor, is being fortified. Torio, April 18 (Delayed).-Reenforcements for the Russian infantry, artillery and cavalry on the Yalu River recently arrived. The defences of Hushan have been greatly strenghtened. It is expected that a battle will soon be fought in the neighborhood of Hushan.

SAFE TO GO TO JAPAN.

Mayors of the Cities, Through the Minister Here, Give Notice to That Effect. WASHINGTON, April 19.-The Japanese Minister has received a telegram from Tokio to the effect that the Mayors of the principal cities of Japan having received o many letters from all over the world quiring as to the condition of affairs in Japan, especially with reference to whether travel in Japan is safe and having found it impossible to reply in each individual case, have issued the following state-

ment for wide publication: ment for wide publication:

"In answer to inquiries too numerous for individual response and in the hope of correcting erroneous impressions that may exist, we, the Mayors of the principal cities of Japan, give our assurances that normal conditions now exist in our country.

Japan in war is as orderly as Japan in peace.
"Business men and travellers who contemplate visiting our country will incur no inconvenience and no danger. The ordinary means of communication are not affected and Japan and her territorial waters are not in the zone of military opera-tions, and the past and present advantages of her fleet insure continuation of the nor-mal conditions.

WIRELESS SERVICE IN WAR. The Cabinet Discusses the Matter of Supervision of the Plants Here.

WASHINGTON, April 19 .- At the Cabinet meeting to-day a mention of the recent Russian note relative to the treatment as spies of newspaper correspondents cap-tured while using wireless telegraph ap-paratus within the zone of military opera-

paratus within the zone of military operations, brought on a general discussion of
wireless telegraphy in war.

As a result of the discussion Secretary
of War Taft and Secretary of the Navy
Moody will prepare lists of all wireless
telegraph stations in the United States
with a view to general supervision in time
of peace and their absolute control by the
Government in time of war. It was decided
that it would be very desirable for the Government to control, at least in a supervisiory
way, the operation of wireless telegraphy way, the operation of along the coasts of the United States.

OUTLOOK FOR COREAN MISSIONS. Total Reconstruction Will Be Necessar After the War, a Presiding Elder Says.

The Rev. Dr. A. B. Leonard, secretary of the Methodist Missionary Society, re ceived vesterday a letter from the Rev. Wilbur C. Swearer, a Presiding Elder of the Methodist Corea Mission, describing conditions in Corea on March 15. It says that missionary work will have practically to be reconstructed at the end of the war. In the north, about Ping Yang, work has suffered severely, but the south is very

Japan Orders Mountain Guns. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUR PARIS, April 19 .- It is learned that Japan has placed with the Krupp Company large order for mountain guns.

Six Japanese Killed in a Skirmish. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PARIS, April 19.-A telegram from Gen Kouropatkin announces a skirmish on the Yalu between outposts. The Japanese and a coolie wounded. Gen. Kourepatkin informs the Czar that throughout Manchu ria the sanitation is excellent. The tota of sick is only twenty.

Baltic Fleet to Sail on July 18? Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

Paris, April 19.-The Echo de Paris has a despatch from St. Petersburg saying that the Czar, in an audience with the Grand Duke Alexis, the head of the Russian navy expressed a wish that the Baltic fleet be ready for service by July 15. The Grand Duke is expediting preparations for the departure of the fleet on the date indicated.

Japan's Fleet in the Latest Port Arthur Fight. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

Tokio, April 19 .- The Japanese warships participating in the latest Port Arthur engagement were six battleships, six cruisers and twelve torpedo boat destroyers, in three flotillas, and eight torpedo boats. The rapid work of sinking mines at the entrance of the harbor by a small unprotected steamship, the Koryo, under the Russian searchlights and the fire from the land batteries, rivalled in audacity any of the recent attempts to seal the harbor.

Capt. Cron Lost on the Petropavlovski

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. ST. PETERSBURG, April 19 .- After the dismantling of the Russian gunboat Mandjur at Shanghai, her commander, Capt. Cron, was transferred to Port Arthur. He had been there only a day when he perished on board the battleship Petropavlovsk.

Hard to Restrain Chinese Troops.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.
LONDON, April 20.—It is reported from Shanghai that Gen. Ma, commanding the Chinese troops on the Manchurian border, again complains that he is having the greatest difficulty restraining his troops from attacking the Russians, who continue to move west of the Liao River.

Lawyer C. F. Adams Hurt by Auto. Lawyer Charles F. Adams of 366 Halsey street, Brooklyn, was struck by an automo bile at Thirty-first street and Broadway last night, and was taken to the New York Hospital, suffering from a scalp wound and contusions. The automobile, which was numbered \$289, got away.

TO KEEP HILL'S HANDS OFF IN NEW YORK CITY.

Stories of an Understanding About Patronage, With McClellan for Governor and Brooklyn's Autonomy Preserved Brought From Albany-Murphy Stlent.

When Charles F. Murphy got back from Albany last evening he could not be induced to say anything about the outcome of the Albany convention. Nor would he give any hint as to what would be his attitude between now and the national convention at St. Louis. He turned in quirers over to his lieutenants. They, he said, knew as much about the situation as he did and, moreover, were more fluent at

talking. The lieutenants were, however, not much more talkative than he when it came to answering questions for publication. But, not to be quoted, they declared that Mr. Murphy had not only got a great deal more than he expected when he went to Albany, but that more concessions are yet to come to him in the shape of pledges from Judge Parker himself.

At the Democratic Club it was stated that David B. Hill consented to allow Mr. Murphy to name a delegate-at-large and an alternate and elector-at-large only after Judge Parker had sent over the telephone a message to Mr. Hill through Edward Murphy, Jr. It was also stated by several of Mr. Murphy's lieutenants that, now that the delegation had been instructed, Judge Parker had allowed it to be known that it was his intention personally to work for harmony with Tammany.

Judge Parker, it was said, believes that Mr. Murphy is sincere in his statement that in fighting for an uninstructed delegation the Tammany leader has no personal feelings against him. Judge Parker has also been told that the attitude Mr. Murphy has taken springs from a determination on the part of Mr. Murphy to fight against the assumption by Mr. Hill of the dictatorship of the State. One of the most influential members of Tammany Hall-he is a Borough President—said last night:
"Tammany will follow out its old tradi-

tions and will fall in line with the majority. If Judge Parker is nominated at St. Louis we will work for him and try to elect him. Charlie Murphy has never been opposed to Parker. But he has been and will be opposed to any assumption of authority David B. Hill. Much of the trouble which culminated yesterday arose because of the orders Hill sent down here that the State convention was to be instructed for Parker. He never once attempted to consult with the leader of the strongest Democratic organization in the United States. And if Hill had everything his own way now and should Parker win, he would, if past experiences go for anything use the power that would come to him to do harm to Tammany. Who knows but that he might foster the building up of an organization opposed to Tammany on some-what the same lines as the old County

Democracy?" By more than one Tammany man who stands high in the organization it was stated last night that Mr. Murphy had already been informed that Judge Parker would not countenance any policy of Mr. Hill's that might tend to injure the pros pects of Democratic success in this State

next fall. It was added moreover that overtures had already been made to Mr. Murphy. had already been made to Mr. Murphy. According to these statements it has been conveyed to Mr. Murphy that the Judge has, during the last two days, not hesitated to say that if the Democrats are to carry the State, something more than a mere perfunctory campaign must be made in this city by Tammany.

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In order to obtain the whole hearted support of Tammany assurances have been made to Mr. Murphy that should Judge Parker be the Democratic nominee and be elected, the Federal patronage going to this city will be distributed through the medium of Tammany. Mr. Parker, said Mr. Murphy's friends last night, is willing to pledge that he will not allow Mr. Hill or any one else to do anything to the detriment of the Tammany organization by means of Federal patronage.

At the same time Judge Parker, it is said, will exact a promise that the fight against Senator McCarren must be dropped by Mr. Murphy and that Brooklyn's autonomy must be preserved.

That, in a nutshell, is the information that Mr. Murphy's mouthpleces brought with them from Albany yesterday. That they were elated at the turn things have taken they did not attempt to disguise. Some of them, in fact, went even so far as to say that Tammany would have the naming of the Democratic Club that at the request of Judge Parker himself Mayor McClellan would be the man.

Meanwhile Tammany will play a passive game. Mr. Murphy will do nothing between now and the St. Louis convention that will be inimical to the candidacy of Judge Parker. It can be stated also with equal authority that if Mr. Murphy can be made to feel assured that Mr. Hill will not be allowed to run things with a high hand during the campaign, and especially in the event of Judge Parker's nomination and election, the Judge will have no more zealous worker in his support than the leader of Tammany Hall.

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One incident growing out of the convention upon which there was some speculation last night was the fact that August Belmont and Harry Payne Whitney came down from Albany yesterday morning on the same train and were together during the entire journey in a stateroom of the train. To reporters who were on the train the entire journey in a stateroom of the train. To reporters who were on the train Mr. Belmont said that he and Mr. Whitney had not been discussing politics, but private

had not been discussing politics, but private matters.

From this remark the deduction was made in some quarters that they had been talking over the rapid transit situation. The competitors for the new subway will be the Belmont company and the Metropolitan company, in which Mr. Whitney is largely interested. The report gained currency that Messrs. Belmont and Whitney had come to an agreement of some kind on the question of future subway competition, but so far as could be learned there was no solider basis for the report than mere speculation.

TO CONVENTION ON A YACHT. Greenwich, Conn., Elects State Delegates

Fayorable to Parker. GREENWICH, Conn., April 19 .- Elias C. Benedict was chosen at a Democratic caucus Benedict was chosen at a Democratic caucus held here to-night to head the delegation to the State convention. His associates are: James McCutcheon, the New York linen merchant; Luke A. Lockwood, a New York lawyer: John Dayton, a close friend of William Rockefeller, and Thomas F. Howley, secretary of the town Democratic committee.

committee.

Mr. Benedict always headed the delegation when Grover Cleveland was in the field and treated his fellow delegates royally, taking them on the yacht Oneida to the convention city. It is expected that he will do so this year. The committee, it is understood, will favor Parker.

The New Hampshire Delegates. NASHUA, N. H., April 19.-Jeremiah J Doyle, Mayor of Nashua, a delegate to the Democratic national convention in 1896, and a probable delegate to the St. Louis convention this year, says that Judge Parker is his choice for the Presidential nomination and will, he thinks, be elected. The delegates at large will undoubtedly be John M. Mitchell of Concord, Jeremiah J. Doyle of Nashua, Truel Norris of Portemouth and Joseph P. Chalel of Manchester, all Parker men. Democratic national convention in 1896,

TAMMANY LOOKS TO PARKER PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD WORLD'S FAIR

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COL. GUFFEY IN COMMAND. Pennsylvania Democratic Delegates a Unit, Uninstructed.

HARRISBURG, Pa., April 19 .- Col. James M. Guffey and his chief of staff, James Knox Polk-Hall, bottled up the Democracy of Pennsylvania to-day and will pull out the cork at the St. Louis convention. There was nothing for the convention to do but carry out the orders of the Pittsburg leader and not a thing got away.

Having carefully tied up the delegates to the national convention by the adoption of the unit rule, and having declined to instruct for any person for the Presidency the Pennsylvania delegation at St. Louis will do just what Col. Guffey wants. He has selected as his associates in the delegation at large, State Chairman Hall, ex-Gov. Robert E. Pattison and Robert E. Wright, who constructed the platform. An attempt was made at a the meeting of the resolutions committee of the convention during the recess to insert a plank instructing the delegates at large to vote for Judge Alton B. Parker of New York, but it failed. The convention nominated Justice Samuel

pointed by Gov. Pennypacker to succeed the late Chief Justice McCullen, as the candidate against John Pelkin of Indiana for the Supreme Court place.

The platform iterates the planks in recent platforms denouncing Republican misrule in Pennsylvania; declares for a fair ballot law, with personal registration

Gastine Thompson of Philadelphia, ap-

in cities: denounces the Republicans for refusal to reapportion the State, and congratulates the Democratic party upon being able to unite upon the cardinal tenets of On national issues it declares Theodore

On national issues it declares Theodore Roosevelt a standing menace to constitutional government, international peace and business stability and prosperity; denounces his assumption of legislative powers; declares for home rule and local self-government and against centralization of power; declaring against all unlawful monopolies and combinations; favors a foreign policy which shall preserve the consistency of our past history for dignity; favors liberal pension laws; the maintenance of a navy commensurate with national importance and ample to protect our expanding trade, and a speedy completion of the portance and ample to protect our expanding trade, and a speedy completion of the Panama Canal; commends the organization of labor unions for the betterment of conditions of wage earners acting within the limits of the law and not subversive of public order or individual rights; enforces the unit rule on the delegates from Pennsylvania, and thanks Col. James M. Guffer or head of the delegates from the delegates from Pennsylvania, and thanks Col. James M. Guffer him the delegates from the delegates from

Supreme Court Justice William J. Gayno eceived a boom for the Presidential nomination in his own court yesterday. It took him by surprise, and before he could say anything in connection with it the boomer had been escorted from the court room, with a suggestion from one of the court officers that he had better change his brand of liquor.

Justice Gaynor had just settled a case and was about to call another when a man

and was about to call another when a man named Hall, who sat in the rear of the room arose and said in a loud voice: "Hurrah! William J. Gaynor is the man for me, all right, all right!" Court Officers McHenry and Smith made a rush for the man, but before they reached him he again broke loose: "William J. Gaynor is my man for Presi-dent of the United States. He ought to dent of the United States. He ought to be President. He's the friend of the poor man. He's the only man fit to be Presi-dent of the United States!"

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By this time the two court officers were at the man's side. They told him that they admired his sentiments, but that the court room was not the proper place to express them.

"That's all right," said the man, "I'm for Justice William J. Gaynor everywhere and all the time."

"Let's take a walk out into the hall," said one of the officers.

"That's a go," said the man, "and that's my name, by the way—Hall."

"You ought to change your brand of whiskey," said one of the officers.

"I don't need to," said Hall. "That's good whiskey that I drink."

"But it gets things in your head at the wrong time," said one of the attendants.

"It don't worry me half as much as it

"It don't worry me half as mach as it does you," replied Hall, "and I tell you that that brand of whiskey which you kick about will yet elect William J. Gaynor President. Hurrah!"

As the man went away quietly he was not put under arrest. Justice Gaynor, whether through embarrassment or other-wise, failed to reprimand the man for contempt of court.

CONDEMNS N. Y. CONVENTION. Bryan Thinks the Platform Ought to Defeat

Judge Parker. LINCOLN, Neb., April 19.-William J Bryan condemns the New York Democratic convention. He has reserved until next week's issue of the Commoner a complete

week's issue of the subject, but to-night he said in brief:

"I do not think the instructions will give Judge Parker any additional strength, but the platform adopted by the convention ought to defeat his nomination, unless the bearecrist, when they asemble at St. Louis Democrats, when they asemble at St. Louis, decide to try a confidence game on the

Unit Rule in Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., April 19.-The unit rule will be applied to the Kentucky delegation to the Democratic national convention at to the Democratio national convention at St. Louis, and the entire vote will be cast for Parker. There is no indication that Hearst will make any fight in Kentucky. He has no considerable following outside of Louisville, and not enough here to control. The delegates at large, who will be chosen without opposition, will be Senators McCreary and Elackburn, Gov. Beckham and Congressman David H. Smith. All except Gov. Beckham have already declared for Parker, and so has National Committeeman Urey Woodson.

For Parker, Not Hearst.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 19 .- National Committeeman Thomas Taggart isssued a statement last night denying a sensaa statement last hight denying a sensa-tional story published in a Chicago evening paper headed: "Taggart Concedes toHearst' "Of course there is not a particle of truth in the story," said Mr. Taggart. "On the contrary, Indiana will be solid for Parker. Hearst will not get a single district in the State."

DUTCHMEN HERE NOT SO MUCH

AN AFTER DINNER WHACK AT MODERN KNICKERBOCKERS.

They're of the Same Stock as the Pennsylvania Dutchmen, and Needn't Bother About a Coat of Arms, Says the Rev Mr. Bruyler-Vanderbilt Dissected.

The Pennsylvania Society's annual meeting brought to the Hotel Savoy last night several native and resident Pennsylvanians commissioned to blow the horn for the particular locality from which they hailed or that quota of the State's racial composition supplied by their ancestors.

A Pennsylvania Dutchman, the Rev. Charles F. Brugier, in doing his whole duty by his stock, took a whack at his cousins, the Knickerbockers. It was the aristocratic pretensions of the New York Dutchmen that he assaulted. He said they turned up their noses at the Pennsylvania Dutchman because he didn't arrogate to himself a ceat of arms or new transfer to himself a ceat of arms or new transfer.

sylvania Dutchman because he didn't arrogate to himself a coat of arms or put a Van before his name.

"It seems to be a general belief in New York that the Dutch 'Van' signifies the landed estate that carries the meaning of the German 'von,' the Fench 'de' or the Russian 'sky,'" said he. "We are told that it is noble. The truth is that the Jacobs and the Jans and the Peters who landed in Manhattan and scattered through Jersey and over into Pennsylvania were all cut out of the same cloth. Why, the only man with a surname in the entire Manhattan colony was Beekman." entire Manhattan colony was Beekman."
He went on to explain something of Dutch colonial patronymics.
"Take the name Vanderbilt," he said,

"Take the name Vanderbilt," he said,
"I will take it apart for you. The first of
the family who came over was 'Aert.' Like
his fellow immigrants he had no surname.
He was just Aert (Arthur). His son became Aertson (Arthur's son), but it happened that Aertson went over to Kings
county. There he found another Aertson
who had priority of right to the name in county. There he found another Aertson who had priority of right to the name in that locality, so to distinguish himself he took the appellation Van der Bilt and became Aertson Van der Bilt, which simply meant the son of Arthur from near the town of Bilt."

The Rev. Cyrus Townsend Brady, speak-

ing for Allegheny county, in his remarks put in a plea for that part of his State that isn't Philadelphia and those Pennsylvanians who aren't Quakers. He begged that the Irish and the Dutch and the Scotch, but not the Scotch-Irish—those, he said, were a hybridg that nobody wanted to father. a hybrids that nobody wanted to father-

ditions of wage earners acting within the limits of the law and not subversive of public order or individual rights; enforces the unit rule on the delegates from Pennsylvania, and thanks Col. James M. Guffey for his unfaltering devotion to the delegation.

The State committee will meet to-morrow and reelect J. K. P. Hall chairman.

GAYNOR BOOM LAUNCHED,
In the Presence of the Justice Himself, by Mr. Hall of Brocklyn.

Supreme Court Justice William J. Gaynor

IN MEMORY OF LEXINGTON. A Gathering of Minute Men in Old Fraunces Tavern.

One hundred Minute Men of the Department of New York and their friends met in the long room of Fraunces Tavern last night to celebrate the anniversary of the battle of Lexington and Concord. The Minute Men were organized in Washington about four years ago, with the object of perpetuating the memory of the minute men who fought in the Revolution. Since the founding of the order the members have attended all the ceremonies of historic

have attended all the ceremonies of historic significance. Once they acted as President Rooseveit's bodyguard.

The meeting last night was informal. The members of the organization wore the Colonial uniform. Addresses were made by the chaplain of the company, the Rev. De Witt L. Pelton of St. Thomas's Church, Major E. T. Paull, Capt. J. G. Morgan, Corporal J. E. Smith and Lieut. W. G. Clintock.

A musical programme followed the speeches, after which a buffet lunch was

DELAWARE'S SECOND BATCH. Regulars Name Their Delegates in Stirring Convention.

DOVER, Del., April 19.—Millionaires, lawyers, merchants and artisans touched elbows to-day in one of the most stirring conventions ever held by the Regular Republican party of Delaware. Very little was said about the existence of an Addicks Republican party and the work of choosing national delegates was proceeded with as though there had been no Addicks convention and no election already of a Republican delegation, from Delaware Republican delegation from Delaware.

After the preliminary skirmishes the convention settled down to business with Senator L. Heisler Ball as Chairman. The new State committee, in the preliminary selection of which the Wilmington delegates in caucus almost carre to blows, will consist

selection of which the Wilmington delegates in caucus almost came to blows, will consist of these Republicans, largely controlled by former Senator Anthony Higgins: State contral committee—Anthony Higgins: State contral committee—Anthony Higgins, E. J. Shurter, F. William Curtis, Martin B. Eurris, all of Newcistle county, and all except Mr. Shurter, Higgins men; George M. Jones, George H. Dick and James H. Anderson of Kent county; Charles H. Maull, George E. Smith and Cornelius P. Swain of Sussex county.

county.

The complete list of delegates and alternates as finally elected by the convention

follows:
Delegates at large—Dr. L. Heisler Ball,
Henry A. Dupont, Dr. William P. Orr and
Manlove Hayes; delegates from the Congress
district of Delaware—T. Coleman Dupont
and William A. Lobdell; alternates, George
A. Elliott and Thomas J. Sterling of Newcastle county, A. J. Kinney and George M.
Jones of Kent county; Daniel Burton and
Cornelius P. Swain of Sussex county.
The platform, which was read by Col.
Dupont, instructs the delegates for Rocsevelt; reaffirms faith in protection of American industries; condemns 16 to 1 and favors velt; reaffirms faith in protection of American industries; condemns 16 to 1 and favors the gold standard; deplores the fact that nine-tenths of the vessels carrying American commerce are foreign built; lauds the President for his Panama Canal campaign; upholds the constitutional provisions giving the right of suffrage without regard to race; denounces polygamy; favors liberal pension laws; advocates the further extension of the rural free delivery service, and calls for the strict enforcement of State laws against bribery and corrupt political methods.

Park Suicide Was N. L. Hanbrough. The young man who committed suicide in Central Park on Sunday was identified yesterday as Norman McLeod Hanbrough, 18 years old, a clerk employed by the Old Dominion Steamship Line. His father, Dr. Rufus G. Hanbrough of 123 West 111th street, said last night that he knew of no reason why his son should kill himself.

STRIKERS BURN A FAMILY.

SHERIFF IN CHARGE OF GARRETT PA., WHERE UNION MINERS RIOT

Iwo Persons Out of Eight Escape From a House Which They Fired-Italians Arrested for the Act—Sheriff and 25 Deputies Restore Semblance of Order.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., April 19.-To the village of Garrett this has been a day of anxiety and disorder following a night of terror. The night was marked by quarrels between striking union miners and non-union men who have taken their places. A number of shots were fired and the house of a former non-union miner was burned. His wife and family perished in the flames.

The house was occupied by the family of Jeremiah Meyer, who worked for the Somerset company during the strike and ncurred the enmity of the union men. The fire was discovered between 2 and 3 o'clock this morning by Mr. Meyer. At that time the house was enveloped in flames, and it was impossible for him to save any of his family. The only person besides himself who escaped was James Sullivan, a boarder.

Those burned were Rosanna Meyer, wife of Jeremiah Meyer; Lucinda Meyer, their daughter; Anna Meyer, another daughter, 8 years old; Richard Meyer, a son, aged 5, and the two children of Lucinda Meyer, Pansy, aged 20 months, and an infant months old.

It was little less than a miracle that some one was not injured in the riots last night. Quarrels were plenty, revolvers were used freely and threats were free, but the nonunion men kept well out of sight of the infuriated strikers. Shots were fired in the houses of Joe Yecko, an Italian merchant, and Mine Foreman Mitchell, who came here from Roswell to work in the Merritt

To-day the strikers had complete pos session of the town. They marched through the streets armed, and the borough authorities made no effort to interfere with them. Sheriff Coleman of Somerset arrived in Garrett at 5 P. M. with a posse of deputies. The beginning of the present outbreak came on Saturday night, when a squad of Italians employed by the Merritt Coal Company went to Garrett to make some purchases. They were clubbed and beaten and held prisoners for a time in a meat shop. The strikers threatened to lynch a stranger, and he left town in a hurry. All approaches to the town are picketed. Delivery wagons en route to the boarding places of the nonunion men are stopped and turned back, and they have trouble to get enough to eat.

The present trouble dates back to Dec 16, when the union men in the Meyersdale region struck because of a reduction in pay of about 12 per cent. Since then the operators have been bringing in others to take their places and the men have been trying to prevent it. Some time ago the wives and daughters of the strikers, 300 strong, serenaded with tin pans the mer at work and raised such a disturbance that work was stopped for some time.

Coroner Louther went to Garrett this morning and impanelled a jury to investigate the fire that caused the death of Meyer's family. The inquest was adjourned

To-night Sheriff Coleman has closed all the saloons in Garrett and has twenty-five deputies patrolling the town. All the residents have been compelled to go to their nomes. He has placed two Italians, Anonia Poletti and Gievanni Largetto, under arrest on a charge of having fired Meyer's home. Feeling runs high against them, and hey have to be protected from the miners.

COMES FROM RUSSIAN CAMPS.

Battles Are to Be on the Yalu. VICTORIA, B. C., April 19.- The Rev George Douglas, head of the staff of the Wesleyan Manchurian Mission, with headquarters at Liaoyang for fourteen years, arrived to-day on the steamship Empres of China. He told of the tremendous efforts the Russians are making to fortify the Yalu River Valley in preparation for the expected incursion of a great army of

Japanese. For some time before leaving Mr. Douglas was closely in touch with Gen. Linievitch, chief of staff, and the other Russian officers and learned from them practically the Russian plan of operations for the campaign. Mr. Douglas took strong exception to the statement first published in the Berliner Militar Wochenblatt, and copied from that paper all over the world, that the trans-Siberian railway is incapable of war service and barely able to cope with ordinary traffic. He said the statement was absolutely

From seven to twelve trains with troops and all their ammunition stores, commissariat, ambulance and medical supplies, horses and artillery have been arriving steadily from Russia at Harbin for dis tribution. The line has not been cut anywhere by Chunchuses or Japanese spies. There have been no derailments or acci-

dents. From 5,000 to 12,000 troops with equip ment have been coming in weekly from the west since the end of February. About 30,000 men are stationed at Liaoyang, the force being particularly strong in artillery and cavalry. The men are selected from the best line regiments now serving on the European frontier, in the Caucasus and around the Black Sea. Thousands of military engineers and sappers were waiting at Liaoyang when Dr. Douglas left for the frost to leave the ground, when they will throw up earthworks and lay out masked batteries throughout the Yalu Valley.

The Russians, Mr. Douglas said, are The Russians, Mr. Douglas said, are quite indifferent as to the fate of Port Arthur and Vladivostok; the Yalu is the key to Liaotung. For three miles around Liaoyang there is a military cordon, none but Chinese being allowed to pass. Mr. Douglas was surprised to learn that there had been no great land fight, because when he left the Russians were well aware of the presence across the Yalu of strong bodies of Japanese, and were preparing for offensive tactics. for offensive tactics.

In his opinion, the Russians will win the land engagements owing to the personnel of the Russian troops. The Russians estimate the Japanese near the Yalu at 50,000

HELP FOR MRS. DALE. Guests at the Vendome Arrange to Send

Her to a Sanitarium. Mrs. Frank Russell Dale, who was taken Bellevue Hospital from the Vendome Hotel Monday, was removed yesterday from the psychopathic ward to Dr. Sylvester's sanitarium at College Point, L. I. She was taken there by Manager F. C. Green of the Verdome, and her expenses will be paid by guests at the hotel, who made up a contribution.

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tate Committee Refuses to Set an Early

Date for Convention. AUSTIN, Tex., April 19.-The Hearst upporters in Texas lost their fight before the State Democratic executive committee for an early date for the State convention. The Hearst organizers in this State had said that a majority of the members of the committee favored the nomination of their man for President and that the date for the State convention would be fixed early in May and so check the Parker in-

Their claim was disproved when by a unanimous vote the date of the convention was fixed for June 21. It was openly said that the object in placing it at that time is that the members of the Texas Congress delegation, all but one of whom are ardent supporters of Parker, may have an opportunity of being home from Washington and of participating in the convention. The convention is to be held at San Antonio. It is now practically certain that Texas will send a delegation instructed for Parker.

Ex-Gov. J. S. Hogg, leader of the Hearst boom in this State, made a personal effort to have the committee favor Hearst in fixing

Litchfield, Conn., Elects Hearst Men. LITCEFIELD, Conn., April 19 .- James P. Voodruff and his brother, George C. Woodruff, the latter editor of the oldest weekly Democratic newspaper in this section of the State, were delegated by the Hearst forces. George C. Woodruff is a member of the Democratic State central committee, and his brother was the Democratic leader in the lower branch of the last session of the Legislature. Both were Parker men. The town elected four Hearst delegates.

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